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In response to the Requirement for Restriction Election of Species dated June 8, 2004, applicants submit as follows:

Applicants elect with traverse the claims of Group I (Claims 1-12) for further prosecution in the above captioned application.

Claims 13-20 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

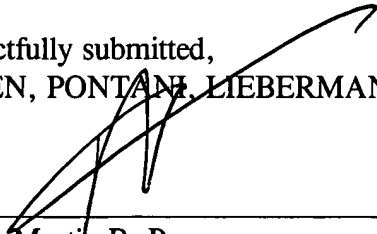
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